

Poetry.

Heaven.

BY JULIA DITTO YOUNG.

We dream, sometimes, of that dim far-off land,
Our journey's end, our home, our second birth;
We only dream—we do not understand
That wondrous ridduous of the woes of earth,
No failure there, no loss and no decay,
No tempest, but clear shining after rain;
Like mist, life's myriad cares shall fade away,
While all good things we know on earth remain.

The singer's voice in sweater strains shall sing;

The poet's verse in nobler numbers flow;

Fair landscapes wait the painter's raptured eyes;

And gazers on the stars at last shall know
The very heart of all their mysteries;

And Nature's faithful lovers shall not end
Their lifelong quest of blossoms, birds and bees;

But placid hours in peaceful wood-craft

spend.

They who on earth are doomed to dwell
In crowed cities' heavy stifling air,

May wander through a cool and grassy dell

Beside fresh waters fringed with flowers rare.

The pale and shrunken victims of disease,
And they who writhed beneath the lash of pain

Shall healing find in every passing breeze,

And all their pristine bounding strength regain.

The worker's worn and weary hands shall rest,

The bent back straighten in a gracious ease;

The heart cease aching in the mourner's breast;

The baffled student then may grasp the keys

Of soul and sense and many a mighty truth;

And they who faint with age-life's last, worst ill—

Shall quaff the spring of sweet eternal youth,
And face the long, fair future, children still.

To Be.

BY KATHARINE L. STEVENSON.

Little blue egg, in the nest snug and warm,
Covered so close from the wind and the storm,
Guarded so carefully day after day,
What is your use in this world now, pray!

"Send your head closer; my secret I'll tell:
There's a baby bird hid in my thy blue shell."

Little green bud, all covered with dew,
Answer my question and answer it true:

What were you made for, and why do you stay

Glimming so closely to the twig all the day?

"Hid in my green sheath, some day to unclothe,

Nestles the warm, glowing heart of a rose."

Dear little baby girl, dainty and fair,
Sweetest of flowers, of jewels most rare,

Bury there's no other use for you here

Than just to be pealed and played with, you dear!

"Oh, a wonderful secret I'm coming to know,
Just a baby like me, to a woman shall grow."

Ah, swift as the bird from the nest flies away,

And the bird to a blossom unfolds day by day,

While the woman looks forth in my baby girl's eyes,

Through her joys and her sorrows, her tears and surprise—

Too soon shall the years bring this gift to her cup,

God keep her, my woman, who's now growing up!

—Wide Awake.

Selected Calc.

FRANCES HALLIDAY.

How Cupid managed to send Stephen Barker after me I never could find out; but that is between themselves and is none of my business. A man good enough for Elizabeth and Janet, and all such ornaments to their sex, to lay his heart at my foolish little feet! I own that for a day or two the honor almost turned my head.

Then I began to consider. I had loved Norman Strong ever since I could remember, and Norman had been my friend when no one else said a kind word to me. The case stood thus: I was an orphan, left to the care of an uncle and aunt, remarkable for that kind of propriety that wins our admiration and awakens our hearty desire to get away from it. I had a fortune of \$25,000—that is, I was to have it if I remained unmarried until I was 35 or if I married previously with my uncle's approval.

Now uncle did not approve of Norman—in fact uncle never approved of any one that I liked. But with Stephen Barker disapproval was out of the question. Stephen was the great man and the good man of our small town. To have insinuated that Stephen was not worthy of a saint, a beauty and an heiress united, would have been a heresy seriously affecting my uncle's social and commercial standing. Stephen Barker's offer was therefore accepted, and the next Sunday we walked to church together.

After this public avowal of our intentions the marriage was considered inevitable by every person but me. I must do myself the justice to state that I never regarded my engagement with Stephen seriously; it was a part of a plan to secure my happiness and rights. And as Stephen fully coincided in it I do not expect censure from any one else.

I think it was no later than the third night after Stephen had spoken to my uncle that I frankly told him I thought I ought not to marry him. He asked me why; and I said: "All my life long, Stephen, I have been such a crushed, unhappy girl, I have been afraid to speak, or laugh, or sing, and no one but Norman Strong ever said a kind word to me until you came."

"And you love Norman?" he asked bluntly.

So I answered, "Yes, I love him, and he loves me, and when he got the

position of cashier in your bank he wanted to marry me; but uncle said we were neither of us to be trusted with my \$25,000".

"So you have \$25,000?"
"Papa left me that much; but Uncle Miles can keep it until I am 35, unless I marry to please him, or unless he is so satisfied of my good sense that he voluntarily gives it up to me. He will never do that."

Stephen was silent a long time, and then he said, a little sadly: "You are a good girl to be so honest with me. If your uncle could be made to give up your little fortune, do you think you could use it wisely?"

"I could—with Norman to help me?"

Then we had a long conversation, which it is not necessary for me to repeat; it will be understood by what follows. There was no change apparently between Stephen and I. He behaved exactly as a lover of his age and character would be likely to behave. He sent presents from his hot-house, and he made me presents of pretty jewelry. He spent the evenings at Uncle Miles' house, and sometimes we were left alone altogether, and sometimes we went out for a walk. Norman came to see us occasionally on a Sunday night, and my aunt said he had really behaved with more good sense than she expected. I think she thought if I married the banker, it might not be a bad thing for my cousin Melvina, who was very plain, to marry the banker's cashier.

Everything went on with the greatest propriety. I had announced my intention to have an extraordinary trousseau, and this being a point on which aunt could feel with me, the next four months were pleasantly spent in shopping and sewing. Never in our little town had there been seen such dozens of elegantly trimmed under-garments, such lingerie, such hoseery, such morning dresses and evening costumes, such wonderful boots and slippers and jewelry. We held little receptions every afternoon a month before the wedding, and my wardrobe was laid out in the best bedroom for comment and inspection.

It was about this time that Stephen Barker said to uncle: "I understand Frances has \$25,000. I wish to have it so settled on herself, and for her absolute use, that I propose, Mr. Miles, if you are willing, to add \$10,000 to it, and buy for her the Stamford estate. It is only three miles from here, the house is a very fine one, the land excellent, and then whatever changes come it secures her a competency, for as soon as the railway is finished it will be worth double. What do you say?"

"I think your offer extremely generous, Mr. Barker, and, of course, for such a purpose, I am willing to hand over to you at once Frances' fortune. The interest has been applied to her own use always. Will you look at the accounts?"

"Your word is sufficient, Mr. Miles." So in about two weeks the transfer was safely and amicably effected, and Stamford Hall and estate were firmly and surely made over to Frances Halliday, spinster, for her heirs forever. I most state here that I opposed, as strongly as I thought right, Stephen's gift of \$10,000, and his subsequent outlay of \$1,000 for furniture, but both uncle and aunt said that the settlement was small enough for a man of his means, and that it would be affectionate to oppose it. And really Stephen managed the whole affair with such fatherly kindness and thoughtfulness that I could not bear to oppose it.

At length the wedding-day drew near. It had been arranged for Wednesday morning, and we were to leave for New York immediately after the ceremony. This showed in José a very Christian spirit, seeing that he once looked on me and my \$25,000 with affection, and I had not appreciated the honor. However, he forgave me at this interesting epoch, and came benignly to bless my venture. He brought me as a present a black onyx seal-ring, on which was set a cross in seed-pears. He had offered me it once before, with his affections and his name, and I had then refused it. I took it this time.

It helped to swell the list of my presents, and they certainly made a goodly show. First, there was the Stamford estate from my father and Stephen Barker, and the settled bill for \$1000 worth of furniture, which Stephen had sent to make the old rooms pretty and comfortable. Uncle gave me a set of silver, ann aunt some fine china, both of which girls I took care to send to Stamford before my wedding-day. My cousins and aunts and friends gave me all sorts of jewelry and pretty personal knick-knacks, and these I carefully packed in the half dozen trunks which were already curdled and directed two days before the marriage day.

For Stephen had proposed to send all my trunks to our New York hotel two days before we left, in order that we might have no concern about them, and that I might be sure to have all I wanted on my arrival. I opposed this plan at first, but aunt said "it was eminently proper and thoughtful." So all my wardrobe except my wedding dress and a traveling suit arrived at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, on the last day of my maiden life.

Norman Strong called that night and was in remarkable high spirits. He wished me every happiness and was very attentive to Melvina. Aunt thought his behavior charming—so unselfish—and I was also very satisfied with it.

"I shall call you about 8 o'clock,

Frances said my aunt, as I bade her good-night. "The hairdresser comes at 6:30."

"I said, "Very well, aunt," and went to my room. The first thing I did was to pack my wedding dress in as small compass as possible, and then put on my travelling costume. This done, I sat down in the dark. About 1 o'clock I heard the signal I watched for. I went softly down stairs, unlocked the back door and went out. Norman was there. We did not speak until we were outside the ground. There a buggy waited and we drove rapidly to a main line about three miles off. Here we caught the 2 o'clock express and were safe in New York and very respectfully married by 10 o'clock. My trunks, which had arrived the day before, were then redirected for Washington, and after a delicious little wedding breakfast—all by ourselves—we left for that city.

In the meantime there was trouble in Milford. Our flight was not discovered until 8 o'clock, and then Uncle Barker, who secluded himself for that day entirely. My aunt and cousin's chagrin and disappointment were very great; in fact, when I considered the amount of confidence and gossip they would have to endure, I felt that for all the sights and scenes of my unloved girlhood I could cry quite. And I had got my fortune also, and Norman and I were so completely happy! We had no care, for Stephen had given him a five-hundred dollar bill and a month's holiday, and told us to get all the pleasure we could out of it. We obeyed him implicitly.

During that month things settled down a little. I did not expect to be forgiven all at once, and I was not; but then I was in a position not to worry particularly about it. We returned very quietly after dark one night, very much like children who have played trout all day, and crept home at nightfall with as little ostentation as possible.

But at Stamford Hall everything had been prepared for my comfort. The fire blazing, the gas lighted, and an excellent supper waiting. The next morning Norman went back to his desk, and Stephen took no more notice of his return than if he had never left it. People who had been speculating about his losing that position knew in five minutes that there would be no change. And every one took his tone from Stephen. They bade me have faith, and they prayed. The three laid their hands on me and prayed quietly. Dr. Sandford said: "We will claim the promise in Mark, xvi, 18." While they prayed the pain left my back. The gentlemen went out of the room, and Mrs. Baldwin then got me out of bed. She told me to stand, and I said I could not because one ankle was twisted under and both feet were paralyzed. Before I knew it she had me standing on the floor with one hand on a chair. But my left limb was so drawn up that only the toe touched the floor. "While I pray silently," she said, "you must try to walk."

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My aunt's father, James C. Blackford, says she is 95 year old.

For six months she lived on one blood pill a day. Dr. Tanner's fast- ing was nothing compared with hers. Mr. Blackford believes her cure will be permanent.—*New York Sun*.

An Irishman, with a heavy bundle on his shoulders, riding on the front of a horse-car, was asked why he did not set the bundle down on the platform. "Be javers," said kind-hearted Fal, "the horse has enough to drag me; I'll carry the bundle."

"Look here. This piece of meat don't suit me. It's from the back of the animal's neck," said an Austin man to a German butcher. "Mine friend, all dot beef vot I salls is back de neck. Ders vos nodding but horns in front of dat neck."

And the preparations that are going on for the marriage quite amuse me, who might have been the banker's wife myself. Dear me! I think Love must often laugh at the kind of people he comes in contact with. But I hope Stephen will be happy; I do, indeed.

That is all I have to say about my marriage. I think it was rather peculiar. Some women will doubtless say they don't believe such men as Stephen exist. But let a girl when she discovers she does not like a man, tell him so, and ask his advice and help, and ten to one she will find another Stephen. How can men be chivalrous and self-denying if women don't give them opportunities? I think that is wrong, and I intend always to give Norman every chance to cultivate such noble qualities.

NOBODY KNOWS

What I suffered for years with those terrible racking fits, until I could only move to and fro; if you are so troubled, mortal advise to use Sulphur Bitter, for they cure me.—CLARA BEILE.

There are now 150 woman students in Boston University.

Cured by Prayer.

Mrs. L. A. Baldwin, who is credited with helping people to cure themselves of disease by an exercise of faith, spent last week at the Faith Home on Shipman street, Newark. On Wednesday she prayed over Mrs. Mary E. Douglass of 174 Canden street, and the latter averted yesterday that now for the first time in eight years she is well.

Mrs. Baldwin is a pleasant-faced woman of about 55 years. She was at one time in charge of a faith institution in Kentucky, and afterward was a missionary in Louisville. She says she simply teaches people to heal themselves.

"I believe," she says, "in accepting the Bible literally, and that is the doctrine of curing by faith in a nutshell. There is nothing supernatural about the cures, nor are they dependent on material law. They are such cures as are described in the Bible."

Mrs. Douglass said yesterday she had been crippled and bedridden for over eight years. "Now I can walk," she said in a strong voice, "and that is not more surprising than the return of my voice. For years, until now, I have not spoken above a whisper. In December, 1875, I had an attack of diphtheria, and then followed a serious affection of the stomach. On Christmas of that year I lay down on that bed, and I never had the use of my limbs again until last Wednesday. My left limb began to grow shorter, probably because I fell down stairs two years before and hurt my hip. Dr. Ella Haines tried to straighten the limb, and yet it grew worse. Dr. Isaac Nichols and Dr. Frank Wimmarth were called in, and they said I could not recover. Now they are dead and I am well. My voice became so weak that I could hardly speak. During those long years I ate only once in twenty-four hours, and that meal I took at midnight. My back was so sore that even the bed clothing gave pain. But there were times when I could not stay in bed, and then I crawled around the floor. Everybody said I was paralyzed below the knees.

"Faith cures were suggested to me, and I laughed. Last Saturday Mr. C. C. Labrop and Mrs. Baldwin asked me to try prayer, and on Wednesday evening they came with the Rev. Dr. Sandford, a Congregational minister who was formerly with Dr. Cullis at his faith hospital in Boston. They bade me have faith, and they prayed. The three laid their hands on me and prayed quietly. Dr. Sandford said: "We will claim the promise in Mark, xvi, 18." While they prayed the pain left my back. The gentlemen went out of the room, and Mrs. Baldwin then got me out of bed. She told me to stand, and I said I could not because one ankle was twisted under and both feet were paralyzed. Before I knew it she had me standing on the floor with one hand on a chair. But my left limb was so drawn up that only the toe touched the floor. "While I pray silently," she said, "you must try to walk."

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The Newport Mercury.

John P. SANBORN, Editor and Proprietor.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 1884.

Next Tuesday the Republicans of Maine will open the campaign with an enormous mass meeting at Lake Mansfield. Some of the best speakers in the country will be present and a great time is expected.

Our Democratic friends in this city propose to carry on an active campaign. They promise a ratification meeting soon which shall "open the eyes of the Republican party." We are waiting to see it.

"Let the Irish go," said Delegat Bragg of Wisconsin in his speech supporting Cleveland. Evidently they are going a little faster in what the managers of the Democratic party like, if the late meeting in New York is any criterion.

The result of Lieut. Greely's explorations will soon be published. A new map of the Polar regions is to be prepared giving the outlines of the north sea lands as laid out by Lieut. Greely. This map it is said will contain many important changes in the contour of land in the Arctic regions.

While the Democratic press and Mr. Cleveland's most intimate friends admit the charges made against him and are trying to apologize for them, the so called independent papers can see nothing in them but Republican lies. The new converts are always the most zealous, but in this instance the new champions seem to be rather overdoing the thing.

Gen. Butler writes the New York Sun as follows:

Answer—I do intend to stand by the nominations of the Greenback and Laboring Men and the Anti-Monopolists, and I hope everybody will vote for me who thinks it is best to do. I will give the reasons for my action, which are controlling, to the public as soon as I can have the benefit of Mr. Cleveland's letter of acceptance, or that wherein I disagree with him I may do him no injustice.

To show with what venom that high-toned sheet, Harper's Weekly, has in former times attacked those whom it thought did not come up to its standard, the Tribune produces a fac-simile of an illustration which appeared in that sheet in 1861, where in it pictured President Lincoln as a mauling drunkard, surrounded by a lot of drunken loafers in a bar-room, while the corpse of Liberty was being borne away in a hearse. Such a picture will not be likely to increase the respect of respectable people for that paper which claims to a "Journal of Civilization."

A Veteran New York Democrat writes to the New York Sun, requesting the withdrawal of Gov. Cleveland. He says:

"It is not necessary to tell them, [the Democrats] that the prospects of success in the Presidential campaign are not bright, for tens of thousands feel that they are gloomy in the extreme. When Grover Cleveland was nominated at Chicago the hopes of a large body of Democratic voters faded away, and they have not revived since. Indeed, why not admit the exact truth and say that a great mass of the best thinkers in the Democratic party believe that Cleveland's election is among the impossibilities? This opinion is spreading, and carries with it sore discouragement."

It is amusing to see the contortions the new converts to the Democracy go through to justify the doings of their life long enemies, their present allies. The Boston Transcript once an honorable, fair-minded paper has now commenced to apologize for the southern method of conducting elections. It is hard work but it takes the bitter task bravely and of course puts the blame on the Republican party and not the southern fire-eaters. It says:

No question exists that all the people in several Southern States are denied "the right to choose their own officers." This is one of the anomalies produced by conferring upon the negro the suffrage for political ends. The fraud and violence employed to suppress the opposition vote in some parts of the South cannot be justified; but there are good grounds for the contention that both the white and black races are better off where the local governments are in the hands of white men. It sounds harshly to hear Southern Republicans declare they will never again submit to the rule of the negro; but what feelings would such control excite in any Northern State? Time and education will modify, and perhaps remove, this aversion.

The last sentence reminds one of the times when the lion and the lamb will lie down together—when the lamb is inside of the lion.

The reason for the opposition of Harper's Weekly to Mr. Blaine has at length come to light. When this enterprising firm of publishers learned that Mr. Blaine was to write a history of Congress for twenty years, they wrote to a friend to use his best endeavors to get them the job to publish the history, using the most flattering language in regard to the coming President of the United States. They did not get the job. Hence the unfitness of Mr. Blaine for the office. This is the language used by Mr. Harper when he desired to be Mr. Blaine's publisher:

With the instinct of a publisher, I consented to deal with the people rather than with privileged ones, to recognize the fact that there is no man living more closely in sympathy with the people than Mr. Blaine. I keep a not untraveled finger on the popular pulse, which, in our vigorous American life, is generally healthy, and I am sure that it beats strongly in admiration and affection for a man who has been absolutely fearless in his patriotism. Mr. Weed's reminiscences will be interesting as a record of an acute observer, but I am sure that Mr. Blaine's narrative will hold the American people, because it will be human—real flesh and blood—the record of a Mohavillian observer, but of an active participant, a brave fighter, and a gallant leader in the most critical events of our Nation's history.

The Republican Party.

Judge E. Rockwood Hoar in a late speech said: Gentlemen who talk flippantly about bringing in the Democratic party and letting the Republican party go don't seem to be aware with what toll, with what labor, with what effort, this great dyke was built which we set up in this country against the encroachments of tyranny and the slaveholder. The older men in this audience remember with me the days of the foundation of the Republican party. I stood by its cradle, and by no act or consent of mine do I propose ever to follow its lead.

We know "What master laid its keel, What workmen wrought its ribs of steel, What arms rang, what hammer beat, In what a fog, at what a lead, We cast the anchors of its hope."

Some of our most esteemed contemporaries make great boasts of their independence in political matters. They tell us every day that as they want no office they take no interest in supporting either side and prefer to remain on the top rail of the fence. We notice however that their "independence" leads them to publish everything they can find against the Republican candidates and at the same time if they can get a good word for Mr. Cleveland they are only too happy to do so. They have been nearly heart broken over the "unjust scandal" against the reputation of that great and good man and have considered them only campaign lies concocted by those wicked clergymen of Buffalo, the Rev. Dr. Ball, Rev. Dr. Gordon, Rev. Dr. Mitchell, Rev. Dr. Greene, Rev. Dr. Hubbel, Rev. Dr. Oliver, Rev. Mr. Lord, Rev. Mr. Crabb and the Rev. Robert Dick; all of whom declare over their own signatures that to the best of their knowledge and belief the charges against Mr. Cleveland are true. Against this array of "wicked clergymen" these so called independent contemporaries of ours are just now pitting with much pleasure that great apostle of consistency, Carl Schurz whose eloquence when well paid for is heard on either side, and who says that these clergymen are liars, and that all who say that Mr. Cleveland's character is not as pure as snow are likewise liars. Now we can make no objection to a paper calling itself independent, and are perfectly willing that the editor should repose upon the fence if he likes the seat, but we would respectfully submit that his interpretation of independence is slightly at variance with the dictionary definition.

The citizen's meeting at Portsmouth, N. H. Monday night, in honor of the Greely survivors, was an intensely enthusiastic one and lasted for nearly four hours. After the opening prayer and formal addresses, Secretary Chandler made a short speech and was greeted with wild enthusiasm. He then introduced the following speakers, each of whom was most heartily applauded: Gov. Hale of New Hampshire, Congressman Rauch of Pennsylvania, Senator Hale of Maine, Mr. Nesmith, Greely's brother-in-law, Gen. Hazen, Ex-Secretary of the Navy Robeson, Commanders Collin and Sciley, Lieut. Emery, and Gen. Butler.

The canal across the Isthmus of Panama is in a bad way. A San Francisco engineer who has been on the ground two years, employed in excavating between Colon and Rio Grande, says he has been over every foot of the proposed canal route, and the canal, under its present management, is not likely to be completed, as the expense will exceed the estimate at least eight times. He says the money expended wrongfully, stupidly, fraudulently, and wasted in patronage, is something appalling. Contractors have fared badly. Of the original foreign contractors not one remains, and of the four American contractors two have failed. Costly mistakes have been made, routes being changed as often as obstacles were found, and the only semblance so far as a canal is a ditch two miles long at Colon.

A grand Republican ratification meeting was held on Block Island last Saturday afternoon, Hon. Wm. P. Shedd of Newport presided, Hon. Granville P. Hawes, of New York, Hon. P. T. Barnum the great showman, Hon. John H. Butler of Indiana, Congressman Spooner of Providence and others made eloquent addresses. There was a large audience present and the meeting was a complete and gratifying success.

The National Civil Service Reform Association held its annual meeting at Channing Memorial Church on Wednesday last. After listening to an able address from their president, Hon. George William Curtis, the legeant adjourned to the church parlors where a business session was held. The reports of the various committees showed good progress for the year. Mr. Curtis was re-elected president.

After an active and thorough canvass of nearly two months our Democratic friends have succeeded in getting just 61 persons to sign the anti-Balne paper in this city. Quite a number of those signers declare that they have no intentions of voting for Cleveland. Gen. Butler is left, however, they can vote for him.

Mr. Beecher has made a judicial investigation of the charges against Governor Cleveland, and is now prepared to declare that he is as innocent as himself.

This leaves the matter in a very perplexing state of uncertainty to most people.

The Boston Globe in its issue of July 8 said that "the moral character of Cleveland is assailable." Now it writes now that The Journal has published the facts sustaining its original assertion. [Boston Journal.]

The decrease of the public debt during the month of July amounted to \$9,000,000.

Political Notes.

If Cleveland had little more record and Hendricks a little less, it would be a stronger ticket. But the Democratic party would be still just what Mr. Curtis calls it, "a conspiracy against human freedom" trying to "sneak into power as a conspiracy for plunder and spoils."

"The Southern outrages are not a conflict between parties."—Boston Advertiser.

"The Democratic party killed Matthews."—City Marshal Wheeler of Copiach County.

"The Southern Democracy boldly, openly and freely accepts this responsibility."—Vicksburg Herald.

In 1876 George William Curtis said of Thomas A. Hendricks: "During the war he was a copperhead. He left his church when its minister preached a loyal sermon. Is there any reason why he should be selected from forty millions of people to be the possible head of a government which he did his best to destroy?" Will Mr. Curtis answer his own questions? The same Hendricks is again a candidate and Mr. Curtis is supporting him.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

He was a forlorn, ague-shaken, sallow-complexed, woe-begone, one-gallows refugee from Benson district of Franklin county.

"Greely found," said he, as he heard two gentlemen on the corner of Main and St. Clair discussing the rescue.

"Yes, sir, I found in the Arctic Ocean."

"The h—l you say. I thought he was dead long ago."

"Then after a pause: 'I voted for him once, but d—d if they git me to do it again.'—Kentucky paper."

I do not believe that Cleveland will get a large majority in Brooklyn. Most of our people are too sanguine. Moreover, I don't think that we are gaining votes by Beecher and Curtis coming over to us. Every one knows that they are free traders. Soon every one will be saying that we are free-traders, and that will hurt us badly. I sometimes think that Beecher and Curtis came over to us. Every one knows that they are free traders. Soon every one will be saying that we are free-traders, and that will hurt us badly.

The following are the officers of the National Encampment of the G. A. R., elected at its late meeting in Milwaukee:

Commander-in-Chief—John S. Kountz of Ohio.

S. V. Commander-in-Chief—John P. Rea of Minnesota.

J. C. Commander-in-Chief—Ira E. Ulke, Cincinnati.

Adjutant Gen.—Wm. H. Hall, Penn.

Quartermaster Gen.—John H. Penn.

Adjutant Gen.—Wm. A. Alcorn, Ohio.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Arkansas—Thomas H. Barnes.

California—W. H. Holmes.

Connecticut—C. D. Rockwell.

Delaware—W. H. Putney.

Illinois—W. W. Berry.

Indiana—P. P. Hammond.

Iowa—John K. Paul.

Kansas—S. S. Williams.

Kentucky—Samuel T. Jenk.

Maine—F. W. Haskell.

Maryland—W. O. Lovell.

Massachusetts—H. B. Pierce.

Michigan—Samuel W. Wolf.

Mississippi—W. P. Roberts.

Missouri—J. S. Bierhart.

Nebraska—J. O. West.

New Hampshire—D. B. Newhall.

New Jersey—J. R. Vanneck.

New Mexico—J. W. Pease.

New York—Harman R. Fox.

Ohio—J. J. Sullivan.

Pennsylvania—Samuel Harpur.

Pomona—John Cameron.

Portsmouth—J. J. Bradford.

Vermont—F. P. Dyer.

Virginia—H. D. Clay.

Wisconsin—Fuller Clark.

Washington Territory—H. V. Daniels.

Oregon—H. B. Tuttle.

Tennessee—John R. Daniels.

Tennessee—E. S. Jones.

Lulu Hurst.

Mrs. Lulu Hurst, "The Georgia wonder," whose extraordinary feats have made her name famous, attracted a large and representative audience at the Opera House, last Saturday evening, and notwithstanding the gloomy accounts of her singular powers which had been read in the press, there was not one who did not feel surprised at her wonderful achievements. Holding a chair in her right hand she successfully resisted the combined efforts of five men to force it to the floor, and many feats, equally wonderful, were performed without any apparent effort on her part.

Following to numerous requests from well known people in our city, Miss Hurst will repeat her exhibition on Tuesday evening next, Aug. 12th, at the Casino Theatre. She is in Brooklyn this week at Harvey's Theatre performing to crowded houses.

Newport Independents.

The following, according to the Boston Advertiser, is the list of Newport's Independents. We print the list as there published, correcting none of its errors. At least one half of these signers never voted the Republican ticket, and half of the other half only train with the party when they can have their own way. The rest were formerly good Republicans whom we are sorry to see in such company!

Edmund R. Peckham, city collector.

Edmund T. Wood, collector.

Joseph D. Davis, editor, and T. T. Pitman, publisher, Newport Daily News.

Charles W. Wendt, pastor Channing Memorial Church.

Peter Sheldon, lawyer.

George E. Henry, and Charles A. Ives, ex-mayors.

John C. Burdett, Henry Bedlow, Edwin and C. Stevens (the latter cashier of the National Bank).

John T. Langley, alderman.

John C. Bowditch, George F.bridge, R. C. Dorley, John C. Whipple, Edward Smith and Russell Forsey, real estate dealers.

William Gilpin and W. H. Ashurst, ex-republican assemblymen.

John Haro Powell, Jr.

William S. Child, D. D. French Morgan.

John H. Storer, J. W. Cowell.

Henry C. Burnham, B. W. Pease.

James Openshaw.

George E. Auring, Jr. secretary National Board of Health.

John C. Welling.

A. H. Almon.

Henry S. Fearing.

E. B. Harrington.

Oliver Standhope.

James Eddy Misurac, ex-president Redwood Library.

J. A. Williams.

G. Anderson.

Robert L. Oman.

S. C. Powell.

John Hale Powell, late colonel Newport Artillery.

George Gratwick.

A. C. Tiss.

George Gordon King.

J. A. G. Clegg.

Thomas Greely.

Arthur B. Emmons.

Peter Knows.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

From all Parts of the World.

The Czar's Enemies.
BERLIN, Aug. 3.—Up to the present time 2000 persons, of both sexes, suspected of conspiring against the peace of the Czar, have been expelled from Germany.

Sunday Base Ball.
HUNTER'S POINT, L.I., Aug. 3.—There was a large gathering of base ball players at the ground on Thompson avenue, this city, this afternoon. The police attempted to stop the playing, but were run off and the game went on.

The sorrowful Coming Home.
NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Col. Sutherland, Medical Inspector on Gen. Hancock's staff, obtained from the Board of Health to-day permit to receive and reship to their burial places the bodies of the dead heroes of the Greely expedition. The cause of the death in each permit is put down as "starvation."

Belief of Gen. Gordon.
LONDON, Aug. 5.—Mr. Gladstone is moving the credit of £300,000 to provide for an expedition to the Soudan, said that the purpose of the expedition was merely to relieve Gen. Gordon and not to crush the Mahdi. It would be sufficient to secure good government in the Soudan. The evacuation of that country was now out of the question. England was bound to protect Gen. Gordon. The credit was agreed to by a vote of 174 to 14.

A Dynamite Plot.
LONDON, Aug. 5.—Three packages of dynamite wrapped in the Irishman, a newspaper, were found in the letter box at the Nottingham post office Sunday night. These packages contained a pound of dynamite and furnished with a fuse to which a cap was attached. It is supposed that the packages were intended to explode by a fall or when they were stampeded. The quantity of dynamite was sufficient to have wrecked the building.

Three Men Fatally Wounded.
ENTERPRISE, Ky., Aug. 5.—During a difficulty here about election trouble, last night, R. M. Griffy shot two unknown men and received a shot in the head. All the wounds are supposed to be fatal.

Princes Excluded from the Presidency of the French Republic.

PARIS, August 6.—The Congress of the two Houses of the French Parliament assembled at Versailles today. A resolution to include in the bill for the revision of the constitution a clause excluding all members of the French dynasties from holding the office of President of the republic, was unanimously adopted.

Dynamite Rubber.
GLASGOW, Aug. 1.—At Airdrie, a few miles from this city, an alarming theft was perpetrated last night. The magazines of Dixon's gunneries was forcibly broken into by means of pickaxes, and dynamite to the amount of sixty-five pounds was carried off.

English Cholera.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—An outbreak of English cholera has occurred at Northampton, owing to a scarcity of water. An entire family has been stricken with the disease, but no deaths have occurred.

The Egyptian Rebellion.
CAIRO, Aug. 6.—El Mahdi has ordered that a force of 50,000 men from the Bagara and Shiloh tribes reinforce Osman Digna. The Bisharites have decided in favor of the Mahdi, Kusaala is closely blockaded.

Texas Fever in Kansas.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 6.—Advices from Hays City, Ellis in Ellis county, and Brookville in Salina county, state that Texas fever exists among the cattle there. At Brookville one hundred are infected, and eight have died; at Ellis twelve are down with the disease; twelve miles south of Ellis thirty-four are sick and fifteen have died. Temporary quarantines have been established and are being rigidly enforced. Brookville is the regular feeding place for shippers, and it is thought that the disease was introduced there by some infected herd which was fed in stock.

Flames in the Capitol.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 6.—Early this morning flames were discovered in a large closet at the Capitol, but were extinguished before much damage was done. Only the fire-proof walls of the closet prevented a dangerous conflagration.

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10 upright Pianos for rent for the season or year.

THE MASON & HAMLIN

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Sold on easy Installments.

JOHN ROGERS,

210 Thames Street, Newport.

Notice.

AT A MEETING of the corporation of the Building Savings Bank of Newport, held at the Banking Room of the First National Bank, Newport, June 30, 1884, the following named persons were chosen to compose the Board of Trustees, for the year ensuing:

PRESIDENT—Thos. Cogswell.

VICE PRESIDENT—T. Stamford Seabury.

DIRECTORS:

Wm. J. Swinburne, Benjamin Marsh,

John C. Cozzens, George C. Swinburne,

J. B. Cogswell, J. M. Stevens,

Wm. B. Franklin, Thos. T. Carr,

Clark H. Burdick.

And at a meeting of the Board of Trustees

held the same day and at the same place,

Wm. L. Spencer, Clerk, and John Marsh,

2nd, Secretary, for the year ensuing.

Attest:

BENJAMIN MARSH, 2nd, Secretary.

7-19-34

To Let.

THE HOUSE and fifteen acres of land at

Babylon, L. I., three miles from Newport.

A desirable place

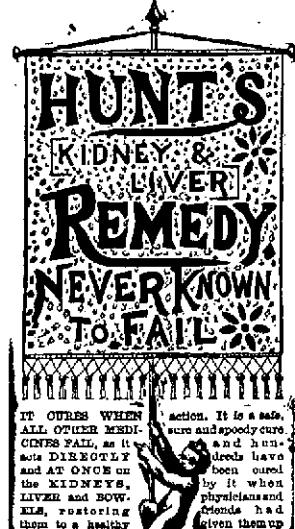
for any one wishing to take boarders or to farm

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Terms reasonable.

4-5-14

By order of the Committee.



NEWPORT COUNTY NEWS.

TIVERTON.

The town is becoming a very popular place to visit, many driving from Newport. The demand for views of Tiverton from different standpoints has increased, one photographer in Fall River having taken no less than a dozen, which meet a ready sale. It is comparatively a few years since Elston and Milne of Fall River built summer homes for themselves, selling a few lots upon which three other houses were built; this was the beginning of the cottages. To-day there are thirty-two, beginning at the depot and extending not over a mile from that point, that are used by summer occupants only; while the people who reside at Tiverton permanently have built, within a few years, as many more houses within the said distance. Four new school-houses have been built in the town within a few years.

Rev. Dr. Briggs of Cambridge, will preach at the Tiverton R. I. Memorial Chapel next Sunday afternoon, Aug. 10, at 4 o'clock. Communion will be administered.

Job Wordell, Jr., died suddenly at his father's residence on Thursday. He had been ill but a few days. Mr. Wordell was a young man of remarkable industry, and was looked upon as one of the chief farmers of the village.

Mrs. Andrew Robeson of the Nantucket farm, gave a social Wednesday, 30th. There were parties present from Washington, D. C., Brookline, Mass., Boston, Newport, Tiverton and Fall River.

PORTSMOUTH.

IN GENERAL.—Mr. C. B. Peckham, of Maine, occupied the pulpit of the Christian Church on Sunday afternoon last. Rev. Lewis L. Briggs, the pastor, assisted in the services.

Mr. William H. Gardner lost from his wagon when driving from Newport, a week ago to-day, a valuable willow basket, that would hold about three bushels. Mr. Gardner hopes the finder of said basket, is as anxious to find the owner of the basket in question, as he is to find the basket; and it will leave it at Mr. E. G. Spooner's market, on Broadway, he will be suitably rewarded.

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By a vote of this town, April 2d, 1884, a discount of 5 per cent. will be allowed to those persons who voluntarily pay their taxes on or before the last day of August; and 3 per cent. to those who thus pay after the last secular day in August and on or before the last secular day in September A. D. 1884, and the collector of taxes is directed to complete the collection of said taxes on or before the first secular day in October next; also that all taxes not paid on or before said first secular day in October, interest will be added at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, until collected by law. Mr. Edward R. Anthony collector of taxes has posted,—for the accommodation of the tax payers,—notices, stating that he will be at the South Portsmouth Post Office on Wednesday, August 20, from 8 o'clock A. M. until 2 o'clock P. M., and at the store of Geo. A. Weaver Broadway, Newport, on Saturday, August 23d, from 8 o'clock A. M. until 2 o'clock P. M. And he will be at his office on the 31st of August, and the 30th of September for the purpose of receiving their taxes.

The St. Paul's Episcopal Church of this town will hold their annual Clambake at Bristol Ferry on Wednesday next. The members of the Christian Church will hold their's at Southwick's Grove on Wednesday Aug. 20.

MIDDLETOWN.

Remember the clambake at Southwick's Grove next Thursday given by the M. E. Church of Middletown. This Church always gets up a good boke and this year they propose it shall be no exception to the rule. Omnibus will leave the State House, Newport, at 12 and 1 o'clock to accommodate those who wish to attend.

SOUTH PORTSMOUTH R. I. Aug. 1st, 1884.

Editor of the Mercury—Dear Sir: Being a considerable tax payer in the town of Middletown, I feel a deep interest in that town's financial affairs, and will be obliged to you if you will allow me space in your paper to recommend to its citizens to forego any further agitation of the question of the Highway on the Bliss road as it has of late been arranged by Mr. Geo. H. Norman. I have been in the habit of traveling the road for nearly fifty years and am free to say that the road is now in better condition and quite as convenient so far as the alteration made by Mr. Norman is concerned as I have ever known it to be. How, if at all, Mr. Norman may have trespassed on the rights of individuals I know not, nor is it any business of the incorporated tax-payers to inquire into, or litigate that point any way. From what I know of Mr. Norman I believe him to be a man who, if approached in a proper spirit, will do all in his power to satisfy all reasonable requests of the town, and I do hope that the matter will be allowed to drop where it now is without further bickery or litigation on either side. The taxes of the town have already become burdensome to the citizens of the town who can ill afford to expend their substance in litigation of questions that are really of no importance to any body.

Yours truly,

THOMAS R. HAZARD.

JAMESTOWN.

The annual fair of St. Matthew's Church was held on Wednesday afternoon and evening, and was well patronized by residents and summer visitors; and quite a number of Newporters also came over on the Jamestown to lend it their patronage. A large tent was erected in the Ferry meadows, the arrangements were attractive. The weather condescended to be well during the entertainment, and fancy articles, fish chowder, ice cream and the delicious cake made by farmers' wives and daugh-

ters here, sold to an extent that proved very satisfactory to the managers.

The late Job W. Hazard was a brother of Dr. Thomas A. Hazard, of Narragansett. The funeral of Mr. Hazard was solemnized from his late residence here, on Wednesday afternoon, and was largely attended. He leaves a wife and married daughter. His venerable mother also survives him, and is the oldest resident of Conanicut, being well into the nineties. Mr. Hazard was a man of much natural ability, and his judgment has often been sought by his townsmen.

LITTLE COMPTON.

The Methodist Society of this place will give its annual clambake, which has been so deservedly popular for many years, on Wednesday, Aug. 13th.

NEW ENGLAND ITEMS.

RHODE ISLAND.

The works of the Horseshoe Manufacturing Company at Bristol, are still this month. According to the Bristol Phoenix, the employees are to have four weeks' vacation—a pleasant way of ministered.

The Old Colony railroad has received from the Taunton works a new engine, No. 126. It weighs about 43 tons, has five-foot driving wheels and 12x24-inch cylinders. It is intended for passenger service, and is provided with air brakes and other appliances now considered requisite for a first-class engine.

Two Republican flags have been hung out at Charlestown, one by Geo. C. Cross, and the other by Nathaniel Lewis.

Mr. Wm. H. Faulkner, Jr., of Portsmouth, R. I., thinking his health sufficiently restored to render it safe for him to do so, has returned to his place as engineer on the Old Colony railroad.

PORTSMOUTH.

The landlords at many of the New England resorts continue to complain of bad business. North Conway, N. H., has never known so poor a season, and "very few people are seen on the streets or anywhere." Cold and disagreeable weather has kept visitors away from Old Orchard Beach also; and the same complaint comes from Mt. Desert and Narragansett Pier. Block Island hotels, on the other hand, are declared to be well filled with guests.

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Roller Skates,

Dog Collars,

Cross Bows,

Cribbage Boxes,

Dominos & Dice,

Playing Cards,

Dice Boxes,

Chessmen,</p